## AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

- 1. (presently amended) An isolated DNA consisting of a nucleotide sequence encoding for a polypeptide which is a part of

  Fas antigen and which comprises an amino acid sequence of amino acids No. 175 to 319 of that shown in SEQ ID NO: 2.
- 2. (presently amended) An isolated DNA of claim 1 which comprises a nucleotide sequence of bases base No. 765 to 1199 of that shown in SEQ ID NO: 1.
- 3. (presently amended) An expression vector, which comprises a DNA encoding a polypeptide which is a part of Fas antigen and which comprises an amino acid sequence of amino acids 175 to 319 of SEQ ID NO:2 or which comprises a nucleotide sequence of bases 765 to 1199 of SEQ ID NO:1 of any one of claims 1 or 2.
- 4. (presently amended) An The expression vector of claim 3, which comprises a DNA of any one of claims 1 or 2 and which further comprises a DNA, which consists of a nucleotide sequence encoding for non-Fas peptide sequence.

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- 5. (previously presented) The expression vector of claim 3, which further comprises a promoter derived from peptide chain elongation factor  $1\alpha$  (EF1  $\alpha$ ).
- 6. (previously presented) The expression vector of claim 4, which further comprises a promoter derived from peptide chain elongation factor  $1\alpha$  (EF1  $\alpha$ ).
- 7. (previously presented) An isolated cell transformed by an expression vector of claim 3.
- 8. (previously presented) An isolated cell transformed by an expression vector of claim 4.
- 9. (previously presented) An isolated cell transformed by an expression vector of claim 5.
- 10. (presently amended) A method of producing a polypeptide

  which is a part of Fas antigen and which comprises comprising an

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amino acid sequence of No. amino acids 175 to 319 of SEQ ID NO:2, which comprises

culturing a cell of claim 6.

11. (presently amended) A method of producing an antibody recognizing a polypeptide comprising an amino acid sequence of <a href="mailto:amino acids">amino acids</a> No. of SEQ ID NO:2 175 to 319, which comprises transfecting a host cell with the DNA of claim 1 or 2;

injecting the host cell into an animal to produce antibodies; and

isolating said antibodies from the animal utilizing as an antigen a cell of claim 6 or a polypeptide produced by the method of claim 7.

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